## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A metronome for an optical and acoustic display of tempo, phase and the division of the phases of musical pieces or movement rhythms includes a housing with a display for the optical display of a movement which describes a curve similar to a parabola and a device for controlling the display, so that the optical movement oscillates with an adjustable frequency. There is preferably a selective electrical generation of tones for acoustically marking the inflection points of the movement and for the selective further acoustic division of the time intervals between the inflection points of the movement. The display may include a row of discrete light sources arranged along a curve similar to a parabola. The light sources may be controlled to generate a moving light which oscillates back and forth along the row of light sources with adjustable frequency.